



# JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE

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Federal Communications Commission

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Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein

Commissioner Robert McDowell

Re: WC Docket No. 07-52

Dear Mr. Chairman and Commissioners:

For almost 80 years, the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), the nation's oldest and largest Asian American civil and human rights organization, has been prominent in promoting, developing, and advancing social and human justice for all Asian Americans in this great nation.

We recognize that opportunity and advancement in this country is tied to citizens' ability to access new and emerging technologies. The introduction of broadband into Asian American communities has greatly enhanced educational opportunities and business development, and has given consumers greater choice in the market place. Further development of this vital element of technology is critical to opening new avenues of opportunity for Asian Americans.

With new innovations which require large capacity on the internet and the rampant increase in spam and particularly "image spam," we are over taxing the capacity of servers worldwide and putting a dangerous strain on the Internet's ability to service the public. The obvious solution is an upgrade for today's Internet.

Because we do not understand how new applications and technologies may affect capacity in the future, the JACL urges the Commission to avoid any unnecessary regulation on the Internet's infrastructure. The incentive should be to encourage additional investment and innovation on the network in order to accommodate future development. Broadband providers should be given the flexibility and opportunity to expand and improve that infrastructure.

The Internet is critical for the Asian American community as both business entrepreneurs and as consumers. Asian Americans are accessing the Internet at ever increasing rates with over 85 per cent of English-speaking Asian Americans using advanced telecommunications technologies to access the Internet. We are happy that the Commission is taking appropriate steps, by means of the current Notice of Inquiry, to understand the facts surrounding the discussion of regulation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "S. Floyd Mori". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

S. Floyd Mori  
National Director